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Applicant(s): Drussel et al.

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For: SINGULATION METHODS AND SUBSTRATES FOR USE WITH SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

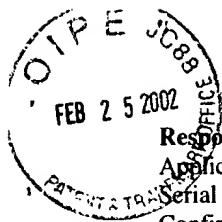
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Restriction Requirement dated 14 January 2002 has been received and reviewed. However, Applicants submit that the Restriction Requirement does not accurately reflect the pending claims. In item #6 of the Request for Filing a Continuation Application Under Rule § 1.53(b) dated 25 May 2001, Applicants requested that claims 1-21 be cancelled. Therefore, the pending claims are claims 22-68. As such, the restriction is actually with respect to claims 63-68 (singulation method) and claims 22-62 (PCB).

Applicants elect, without traverse, Group II (claims 22-62), drawn to a PCB. Applicants' Representatives reserve the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restrictions in this case and submit that the inventions as claimed can be readily evaluated in one search without placing undue burden on the Examiner.

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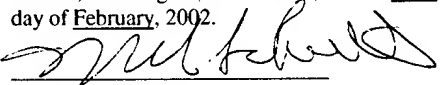
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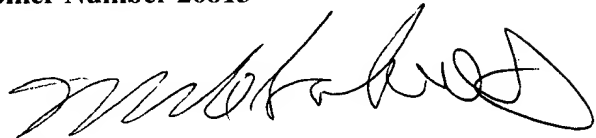
The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted for
Micron Technology, Inc.,

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8:
The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this <u>13th</u> day of <u>February</u> , 2002.

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